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RE:

Debra Walker

My File Number:

LSSA16340

Dear Mr. Farris:

On 11/03/16, I submitted an initial report regarding the above-captioned matter and on 12/21/16, I submitted an addendum report addressing my consultation with Dr. Speights and Dr. Harris. Since that time, I have obtained Dr. Sitzman's opinions regarding Dr. Walker's future care needs related to his area of practice. The following cost analysis is inclusive of recommendations to date.

ANALYSIS OF RECORDS REVIEWED:

Medical Opinions Reviewed:

Correspondence from B. Todd Sitzman, dated 12/27/16:

In correspondence from Dr. Sitzman on 12/27/16, he indicated that Ms. Walker will require lifelong related necessary procedures and therapies. Dr. Sitzman outlined Ms. Walker's permanent limitations including an inability to lift, push or pull over 10 lbs.; sustaining any position longer than 10 minutes without adjusting; and ambulating more than 20 feet without stopping. Dr. Sitzman's recommendations are outlined in the cost analysis section below.

MEDICAL COST ANALYSIS:

Life care planning involves consideration of recommendations from physicians and allied health professionals to determine an individual's current and future medical needs related to an event or occurrence. The medical recommendations considered in a Life Care Plan or medical costs analysis are those recommendations that are deemed a medical necessity with greater than 50% chance of being required. In order to accurately fund future care, the frequency and duration of recommended treatment needs to be determined.

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The following are cost estimates associated with Dr. Walker's medical care needs and are specific to her treatment as it relates to the incident occurring on 07/24/14. The recommendations are based on a review of medical records, consultation with Dr. Sitzman, Dr. Lambert, Dr. Speights ad Dr. Harris, as well as Ms. Stewart and Ms. Conner, information gathered during our interview and research regarding the standards of care for this type of injury. This is a dynamic document and amendments can be made as necessary based on Dr. Walker's changing need or additional information.

FUTURE MEDICAL CARE, ROUTINE:

Service or Item	Purpose	Duration	Frequency	Cost/Unit	Cost/Year	Comments	
Pain Management	Routine care	Life	4-5/year	Initial visit: \$244.00 - \$400.00*	\$512.00 -	Per Dr. Lambert and Dr.	
Specialist		expectancy		Follow-up visits: \$128.00 - \$400.00	\$2,000.00	Sitzman.	
Primary Care Physician	Routine care	Life expectancy	4/year	Initial visit: \$72.00 - \$180.00* Follow-up visits: \$60.00 - \$80.00	\$240.00 - \$320.00	Per Dr. Lambert and Dr. Sitzman.	
Spine Surgeon	Routine care	Life expectancy	1-2/year	Initial visit: \$250.00 - \$300.00* Follow-up visits: \$68.00 - \$150.00	\$68.00 - \$300.00	Per Dr. Sitzman.	

^{*}One-time only or short-term cost

PROJECTED EVALUATIONS:

Service or Item	Purpose	Duration	Frequency	Cost/Unit	Cost/Year	Comments
Physical Therapy	Evaluate PT needs	Life	1-2/year	\$100.00 - \$210.00	\$100.00 - \$420.00	Per Ms. Stewart. Dr. Sitzman recommended physical therapy postoperatively, to be determined at the physical therapy evaluation.
						He also recommends annual routine PT through life
						expectancy.

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PROJECTED THERAPUTIC MODALITIES:

Service or Item	Purpose	Duration	Frequency	Cost/Unit	Cost/Year	Comments
Physical Therapy	To maintain physical functioning	Life expectancy	8-36/year	\$74.00 - \$110.00	\$592.00 - \$3,960.00	Ms. Stewart recommended physical therapy 3 times per week for 4 to 12 weeks. Dr. Sitzman recommended 8 visits per year as needed. Dr. Lambert also believes that Dr. Walker would benefit from physical therapy.
Wellness Center	To maintain physica! functioning	Life expectancy	Monthly	Initial fee: \$40.00 - \$60.00* Monthly fee: \$35.00 - \$42.00	\$420.00 - \$504.00	Per Ms. Stewart, Dr. Lambert, and Dr. Sitzman.
Counseling/Psychotherapy	To improve coping skills	Life expectancy	12 – 36 sessions	\$3,000.00 - \$9,000.00* (based on \$250.00 per session)	N/A	Ms. Conner recommends 12 to 36 sessions. Additional sessions may also be necessary.
Massage Therapy	Pain management	Life expectancy	20/year	\$40.00 - \$110.00 per session	\$800.00 - \$2,200.00	Per Dr. Sitzman.

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SURGERIES/PROCEDURES:

Service or Item	Purpose	Duration	Frequency	Cost/Unit	Cost/Year	Comments
Dorsal Spinal Cord Stimulator Replacement	Pain management	Life expectancy	Every 8 to 10 years	\$145,559.00 - \$147,555.00	\$14,555.90 - \$18,444.38	Per Dr. Sitzman.
Lumbar Radiofrequency Ablation	Pain management	Life expectancy	1/year	\$8,100.00	\$8,100.00	Per Dr. Sitzman.
Lumbar Epidural Steroid Injection	Pain management	Life expectancy	2-3/year	\$2,100.00	\$4,200.00 - \$6,300.00	Per Dr. Sitzman.

LABORATORY/DIAGNOSTICS:

Service or Item	Purpose	Duration	Frequency	Cost/Unit	Cost/Year	Comments
Lumbar CT Scan	Routine care	Life expectancy	1/year	\$927.00 - \$3,405.00	\$927.00 - \$3,405.00	Per Dr. Lambert.

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Service or Item	Purpose	Duration	Frequency	Cost/Unit	Cost/Year	Comments
CBC	Routine care	Life expectancy	1/year	\$44.00 - \$48.00	\$44.00 - \$48.00	Per Dr. Lambert and Dr. Sitzman. Dr. Sitzman recommended one CBC pre-operatively for SCS replacement.
Chem-7	Routine care	Life expectancy	1/year	\$44.00 - \$50.00	\$44.00 - \$50.00	Per Dr. Lambert and Dr. Sitzman.
Urinalysis	Routine care	Life expectancy	1-2/year	\$16.00 - \$44.00	\$16.00 - \$88.00	Per Dr. Lambert recommended 2 per year. Dr. Sitzman recommended 1 per year. He also recommended one UA preoperatively for SCS replacement.
Vitamin D Level	Routine care	Life expectancy	1/year	\$70.00 - \$187.00	\$70.00 - \$187.00	Per Dr. Lambert.
Lumbar X-Ray	Routine care	Life expectancy	1-2/year	\$50.00 - \$293.00	\$50.00 - \$586.00	Per Dr. Sitzman.
Lumbar MRI	Routine care	Life expectancy	1/year	\$340.00 - \$2,097.00	\$340.00 - \$2,097.00	Per Dr. Sitzman.
Lumbar CT Scan	Routine care	Life expectancy	1/year	\$927.00 - \$3,405.00	\$927.00 - \$3,405.00	Per Dr. Sitzman.
ВМР	Pre-operatively SCS	Life expectancy	Every 8 to 10 year	\$44.00-\$50.00	\$4.44-\$6.25	Per Dr. Sitzman.
Chest X-Ray	Pre-operatively SCS	Life expectancy	Every 8 to 10 year	\$37.00-\$109.00	\$3.70-\$13.63	Per Dr. Sitzman.
EKG	Pre-operatively SCS	Life expectancy	Every 8 to 10 year	\$72.00-\$75.00	\$7.20-\$9.38	Per Dr. Sitzman.

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MEDICATION:

Medications outlined below are based on Dr. Walker's current medication regimen and Dr. Lambert's and Dr. Sitzman's recommendations, and may change in the future based on her changing needs.

Medication	Dosage	Duration	Frequency	Cost/Unit	Cost/Year
Lisinopril	20 mg	Life expectancy	1/day	\$0.43 - \$0.97 per tablet	\$156.95 - \$354.05
Norco	10/325 mg	Life expectancy	2/day	\$5.03 per tablet	\$3,671.90
Gabapentin	600 mg	Life expectancy	1/day	\$2.12 - \$2.23 per tablet	\$773.80 - \$813.95
Flexeril	10 mg	Life expectancy	1/week	\$2.37 - \$2.47 per tablet	\$123.24 - \$128.44
Cymbalta	60 mg	Life expectancy	1/day	\$7.43 - \$9.80 per tablet	\$2,711.95 - \$3,577.00

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Medication	Dosage	Duration	Frequency	Cost/Unit	Cost/Year
Keterolac	10 mg	6 months	3/day	\$218.40 - \$1,326.78* (based \$0.40 - \$2.43 per tablet)	N/A

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EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES:

Service or Item	Purpose	Duration	Frequency	Cost/Unit	Cost/Year	Comments	
Lumbar Back Brace	Lumbar support	Life	1/year	\$140.00 - \$154.00	\$140.00 - \$154.00	Per Ms. Stewart, Dr. Lambert, and Dr. Sitzman.	
Brace		expectancy		\$134.00		Dr. Sitzilian.	
Knee Brace	Knee support	Life	1/year	\$22.98 - \$39.99	\$22.98 -	Per Ms. Stewart.	
		expectancy		422.70 407.77	\$39.99		
Heating Pad	Pain management	Life	Every 3-5	\$29.84 - \$39.99	\$6.00 -	Per Ms. Stewart and Dr. Lambert.	
ricating rad	Fain management	expectancy	years	\$29.04 - \$39.99	\$13.33	Fer Ms. Stewart and Dr. Lambert.	
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Ice Pack/Gel Pack Pain manageme	Pain management	expectancy	Annual	\$12.99 - \$15.99	\$15.99	Dr. Sitzman.	
Biofreeze	Dain managament	Life	12/2/2009	\$9.68 - \$11.99	\$116.16 -	Per Ms. Stewart, Dr. Lambert, and	
Bioliceze	Pain management	expectancy	12/year	per tube	\$143.88	Dr. Sitzman.	
Wadaa Dillaw	Doin monocomout	Life	1/2.222	\$20.00 \$55.00	\$39.99 -	Dan Ma, Walless	
Wedge Pillow	Pain management	expectancy	1/year	\$39.99 - \$55.99	\$55.99	Per Ms. Walker.	
TENG II-it		Life	Exami 5 vicens	\$50.00 \$80.00	\$12.00 -	Day Dy Lambart and Dy Siteman	
TENS Unit	Pain management	expectancy	Every 5 years	\$59.99 - \$89.99	\$18.00	Per Dr. Lambert and Dr. Sitzman.	
TENS Unit Pads	TENS Unit supplies	Life	1 pack/month	\$1.75 - \$8.78	\$21.00 -	Per Dr. Lambert and Dr. Sitzman.	
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MISCELLANEOUS:

Service or Item	Duration	Frequency	Cost/Unit	Cost/Year	Comments
Housekeeper	Life expectancy	Every 2 weeks to 1/week	Initial visit: \$240.00 - \$260.00* Follow-up visits: \$80.00 - \$104.00 per week	\$2,080.00 - \$5,408.00	Per Ms. Stewart and Dr. Sitzman.
Yard Maintenance	Life expectancy	42 visits/year	\$65.00 per visit	\$2,730.00	Per Ms. Stewart and Dr. Sitzman
Handyman	Life expectancy	12 hours/year	\$40.00 - \$65.00	\$480.00 - \$780.00	Per Ms. Stewart and Dr. Sitzman

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SUMMARY OF COSTS:	Low	High
One-Time Only/Short-Term Costs:	\$4,042.80	\$12,593.56
Annual Costs:	\$45,120.20	\$70,453.52

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LIFE CARE PLAN TOTAL COSTS:

According to the National Vital Statistics Reports, the expectation of remaining life at age 60 for females as it pertains to Dr. Walker is 24.6 years. This life expectancy has been used to demonstrate the total future medical costs noted below. The total costs are based on current costs for services/items. These cost have not been adjusted to include rate of inflation or discounted value.

Total costs:

\$1,113,999.70

\$1,745,750.00

This cost analysis represents requirements as I understand them, as determined through research with suppliers, vendors, care providers, and others. This cost analysis is a dynamic document and can be amended at any time, based on Dr. Walker's changing needs and additional information.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide assistance in this matter, and should you require any additional information or assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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